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SUBJECT: KENYAN TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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1. CHARGE' PHONED PROTOCOL CHIEF GACHUKIA TODAY TO ASCERTAIN OFFICIAL GOK REACTION TO DISCUSSION REPORTED REFTEL RE POSSIBLE U.S. PARTICIPATION IN KENYAN TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.
2. GACHUKIA CONFIRMED GOK WILLINGNESS TO ISSUE OFFICIAL INVITATION AS WELL AS OFFER SOME TYPE SAFARI OUTSIDE OF NAIROBI, BUT THOUGHT DETAILS COULD BEST BE WORKED OUT AFTER SUITABLE PERFORMING GROUP IDENTIFIED BY STATE DEPARTMENT.
3. RE ACCEPTABILITY OF JAZZ GROUP AS SUBSTITUTE FOR SOUL GROUP, GACHUKIA THOUGHT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO CONTINUE TO SEEK SOUL GROUP COMPARABLE TO JACKSON FIVE AS SUCH GROUPS WOULD APPEAL TO KENYAN YOUTH AND ALSO PROVIDE MUSIC SUITABLE FOR DANCING. HE HAS ASKED AMBASSADOR KIBINGE IN WASHINGTON TO ADVISE ON GOK REQUEST. EMBASSY SUGGESTS, THEREFORE, THAT DEPARTMENT CONSULT WITH KIBINGE ON ANY GROUP WHICH APPEARS RECEPTIVE TO IDEA OF COMING TO KENYA FOR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.
4. BALL IS CLEARLY BACK IN U.S. COURT. WHAT ARE CURRENT PROSPECTS FOR FINDING SUITABLE AND RECEPTIVE SOUL GROUP?LINDSTROM

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